IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : DiPoto et al.

Art Unit : 3731

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Examiner: G. Jackson

Filed Title

: SUTURE ANCHOR AND DRIVE ASSEMBLY

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND PETITION FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION

Correspondence relating to this application is enclosed. The required fees are computed below. Please apply any charges, or any credits, to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for a 3 month

extension of time

\$1020

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Respectfully submitted.

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TOTAL FEE DUE

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